

In 2000-2001 our student performance was rated at these levels:

AVERAGE PERFORMANCE LEVEL
[Available 2002] IMPROVEMENT RATE

Criteria	Data
GED Completion Rate	62%
Challenge Phase Completion	77%
Challenge Phase Dismissal	23%
Community Service Hours	55
Average Growth in Reading for those ineligible to participate in GED Testing	12 Months
Average Growth in Math for those ineligible to participate in GED Testing	6 Months

SCHOOL PROFILE BASED ON THE 2000 YEAR INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	This School	Change from Last Year
School		
Dollars per student	\$25,701	
Student-teacher ratio (Cycle 00 1)	17	
(Cycle 00 2)	13	
Prime instructional time (Cycle 00 1)	97.7%	
(Cycle 00 2)	98.2%	
Students		
Attendance rate (Cycle 00 1)	126	
(Cycle 00 2)	94	
Retention rate	NA	
Teachers		
Professional development days per teacher	10	
Attendance rate	186.1	
Advanced degrees	89%	
Continuing contracts	100%	
Out-of field permits	NA	
Returning from the previous school year	100%	
Average salary	\$42,449	
SCHOOL FACTS		
School		
Annual dropout rate	NA	
Spent on teacher salaries	37.29%	
Lead instructor's years at the school	4	
Parents attending conferences	NA	
Opportunities in the arts	NA	
Students		
Older than usual for grade	NA	
Suspended or expelled	NA	
Gifted and talented	NA	
Disabilities other than speech	14%	
Meeting Presidential Physical Fitness Standards	100%	
Completing Computer Literacy	97%	
Dismissed following Pre Challenge Phase	23%	
Participating in Work Based Activities	8%	





PRESIDENT'S NARRATIVE REPORT

For more than eighty (80) years the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School has served the people of South Carolina. From its founding in 1921 by the late Dr. Wil Lou Gray, to the present day, the agency has educated and provided vocational and life skills training to thousands of citizens of our State. Throughout that time the agency has adapted its mission to meet the critical needs of the day.

During those years the Opportunity School successfully answered the challenge of providing alternative academic, vocational and residential services, with a focus on "at-risk" students. The traditional priority of the Opportunity School has been to provide a high school education supplemented with vocational training in order to prepare students for employment.

In an effort to continue to meet the constant change in the State's educational needs, the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School and the South Carolina National Guard formed a partnership. This partnership offers "at-risk" students an innovative program of structure and academic training.

The Opportunity School continues to offer traditional academic and vocational training, social and life skills improvement, and employability enhancement. The Youth Challenge Academy offers participants a structured lifestyle with an emphasis on becoming self-reliant through a disciplined, military-style environment. The Challenge Academy is premised upon leadership, teamwork and self-discipline as taught and modeled within a quasi-military framework.

While the delivery method of the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School has been reshaped, our theme of motivating the "at-risk" student into a productive, employable young adult remains unchanged.

Eighteen (18) of our students took the Scholastic Aptitude Test and achieved an average score of 814 points, with two (2) scoring 1,020 points. The State average is 966 for year 2000.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, PARENTS

Satisfied with learning environment
Satisfied with social and physical environment
Satisfied with home-school relations

Teachers	Students	Parents
85.7%	72.0%	[avail 2002]
100%	81.3%	
NA	NA	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

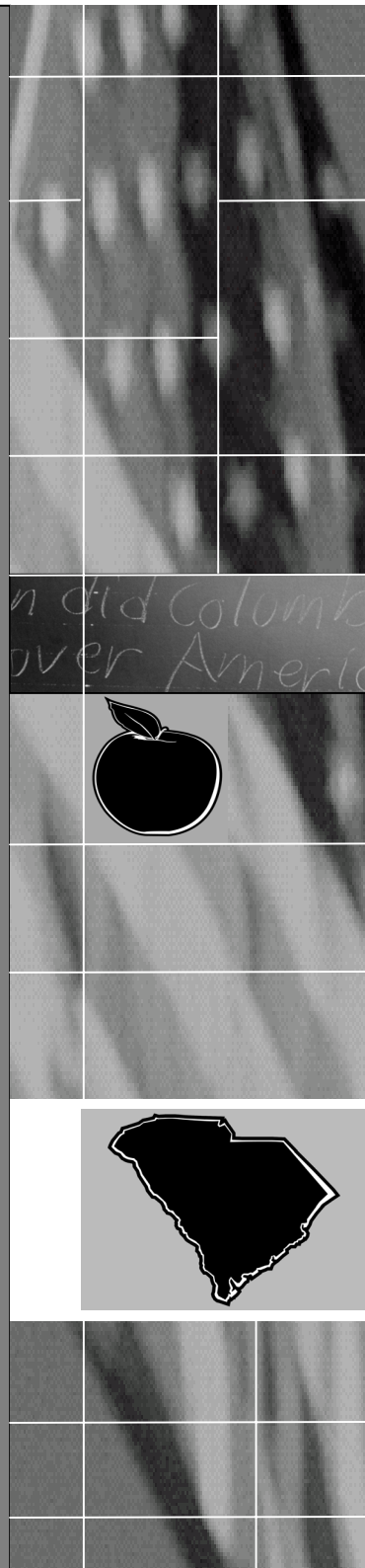
Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.



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Annual School
Report Card

2001

This School's Grade Is

[Available 2002]

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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